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Applicants: M. KAYASHIMA, et al  
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Art Unit: Not yet assigned

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

May 18, 2001

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 8-13 without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter thereof.

REMARKS

Entry of the above amendments prior to examination is respectfully requested.

Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, or credit any overpayment of fees,

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